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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2007, the following remarks are submitted for your consideration.

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